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Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, paragraph 3, line 3, amend as follows:

The time involved in conducting a traditional track and field event can even extend to another day. It can be a long and tedious ordeal for spectators to stay for the entire event. Most are there to see a family member compete. The wait time for the participants become tedious since there is often a fairly long wait until the next opportunity to participate. The athlete can cool down and lose an competitive edge as these long delays occur.

On page 2, paragraph 1, amend as follows:

There is a need to find some way to accelerate track and field events so that they are completely conducted within a reasonable time and provide a satisfactory experience in watching a family member compete. Doing so will encourage spectators to stay through the entire event rather than just trying to time his or her appearance when their son or daughter competes. It is to this need that the present invention is directed..

On page 3, paragraph 1, amend as follows:

From the foregoing summary, it will be apparent that a primary objective of the present invention is to provide a track and field arena designed to

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accommodate similar events taking place at the same time at more than one station.